



**. THE REV. JAMES T. O'REILLY OSA DIVISION 8
ANCIENT ORDER of HIBERNIANS
LAWRENCE, MASSACHUSETTS**

Established: 1871

Happy Thanksgiving to All!

November 2020

The next meeting of the Rev. James T. O'Reilly O.S.A. Division 8, Ancient Order of Hibernians will be held Virtually on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 at 7 PM by Zoom. We will NOT meet at the Claddagh Pub. Please see the enclosed Virtual Meeting Notice from our webmaster, John Michael Pelletier, giving you all the information you need to connect to this meeting using your phone, computer, laptop, or iPad. Following our meeting, we will have a social and just talk amongst ourselves and catch up.

Joint Meeting: Division 8 AOH and LAOH will hold a joint meeting at 7 PM on Wednesday, November 11, 2020 by ZOOM prior to our regularly scheduled Division meetings. Please see the Zoom Virtual Meeting Notice enclosed with this month's newsletter for more information.

Nomination and Election of Officers: At our October 14th Monthly Meeting, a Motion was passed to renominate the Division's present slate of officers and elect this slate at the November 11th meeting until the Division is able to meet in person. At that time, nominations for office would be held at the second in person meeting of the Division, followed by the election of officers at the following in person Division monthly meeting

Christmas Gathering: A Christmas gathering on the first floor at the Claddagh is being planned for Wednesday, December 9th. Members, who would like to attend, must register no later than Sunday, December 6. **If you do not register you cannot attend.** We need this information for Brian Farrell to set up the area for social distancing, food count and contact tracing. There will be no charge to attend and pizza will be served. This event will begin at 7 pm. Due to Mass Covid regulations, reservations are limited. Please contact our AOH/LAOH Reservation Chair Anne Marie Nyhan- Doherty @ 978 390 3400 or at dancingds@comcast.net

Do You Know Someone interested in Becoming a Member of Division 8? If so, please contact our Division Organizer @ aohdivision8organizer@gmail.com for an application and more information. We have been granted permission to initiate all new brothers by Zoom.

FFAI Annual Christmas Appeal: All members will receive in early November a mailing on our Annual Freedom for All Ireland Christmas Appeal. Please consider a donation to this cause.

Division 8 Website: For the latest updates on Hibernian News, please look at Division 8's website that is regularly updated by our Webmaster John Michael Pelletier. The website address is: <http://www.div8aoh.com/>

Stay Healthy, Safe, Positive and Strong. God Bless!

WELCOME! We are pleased to note that **Richard Eaton**, formally of Division 1 in Newburyport, is now a member of Division 8. We were delighted that he could join us at our October 14th Meeting.

Living our Motto to the Fullest – Friendship, Unity and Christian Charity: In these unprecedented times, we realize some members might not want to venture out of their homes for their groceries, medications, or whatever for fear of being infected by the virus. If you find yourself in this category and you need a helping hand, please contact **Tim Doherty**, our Standing Committee Chairman, at 603 203 3282 and Tim will do his best to help you.

Sick Committee: Please say a prayer and send a note of cheer to our members on this month's sick list: **Carol Connolly Ross**, 10012 Silver Bluff Dr, Leeburg, FL 34788, **Irene Dixon**, Prescott House, 140 Prescott Street, North Andover, MA 0184; **Larry Giordano**, 76 Bonanno Ct, Methuen, MA 01844; **Patricia Lyons**, Ashland Farms, 700 Chickering Road, North Andover, MA 01845; **Betty Pierce**, MI Restorative Health Center, 172 Lawrence St, Lawrence, MA 01841 and **Margaret Quirke**, Ivy Hill Court, 337 Main Street, Haverhill, Ma 01830.

Looking for Unique Christmas Gifts? If so, please see the enclosed flyer on the latest in AOH Clothing and Masks. For more information or to place an order please contact Tim Doherty at: Timothy.Doherty@sedgwickcms.com or call 603 203 3282.

Tir Na'n Og: November is the month that we remember our beloved dead. Sincere sympathy is extended to Bob Kane of Division 18 in Salem, MA, on the passing of his wife, **Claire J. Kane**, who died on September 28; to Leo Hart on the passing of his brother, **Dr. William R. Hart**, who died on October 3; to the Thomas, Begley, Fitzpatrick and Potvin Families on the passing of their Mother, **Gloria M. Thomas**, who died on October 16; to the family of **Brother Brendan Brennan FMS**, who died on October 19 and to the Family of **Irene O'Callaghan**, who died on October 22. May their souls and the souls of our departed members rest in peace, Amen.

Would You Like to Receive Timely Updates of Division 8 Happenings? If so, please e-mail Jack Lahey and let him know that you want to get the latest news from Division 8. Jack's e-mail address is: limeric@comcast.net.

Please Patronize Our Local Irish Restaurants!!! Please consider supporting your Brother Hibernians who own local Irish Restaurants. (Jim Kearney of the Irish Cottage and Brian Farrell of the Claddagh) **The Irish Cottage and the Claddagh** are great restaurants with terrific food and beverages, and have a great venue for watching your favorite sports team's games, or for just relaxing with family or friends. If you are planning to go somewhere to watch the Patriots, **to get takeout food or beverages, or just to eat out**, the **Claddagh or Irish Cottage** would be the perfect place! **We know they will thank you for your support!!!**

12th Annual Golden Bridges Awards: The **David R. Burke Golden Bridges Award** will be presented **Virtually** to **Kathleen Savage** of Division 10 LAOH of Lynn on **Friday, November 20 between 1 – 1:45 pm. This event is FREE. To register contact: www.aisling-events.com**